

# HOUSE BILL No. 1901

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 12-14-2-27; IC 12-20-11-3; IC 12-20-21-3.

**Synopsis:** Federal block grant money for education. Annually appropriates from the federal welfare block grant program an amount sufficient to pay 50% of the costs to township trustees of a program that provides adult education or classes at Ivy Tech State College to poor relief recipients. Requires a township that receives funds from the state for the education programs to reduce the township tax levy for the following year by a percentage that will reduce the total proceeds of the tax levy by an amount equal to the amount received from the state for the education programs.

**Effective:** July 1, 1999.

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January 26, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

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First Regular Session 111th General Assembly (1999)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1998 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services and to make an appropriation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 12-14-2-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 1999]: **Sec. 27. There is annually appropriated from the funds**  
4 **provided to the state to operate the program under this chapter an**  
5 **amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the costs necessary to**  
6 **operate a program of continuing education under IC 12-20-11-3.**

7 SECTION 2. IC 12-20-11-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
8 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. (a) If a poor relief  
9 recipient, after referral by the township trustee, is accepted and attends  
10 adult education courses under IC 20-10.1-7-1 or courses at Ivy Tech  
11 State College established by IC 20-12-61, the poor relief recipient is  
12 exempt from performing work or searching for work for not more than  
13 one hundred eighty (180) days.

14 (b) The township trustee may reimburse a poor relief recipient for  
15 tuition expenses incurred in attending the courses described in  
16 subsection (a) if the recipient:

17 (1) has a proven aptitude for the courses being studied;

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- (2) was referred by the trustee;
- (3) does not qualify for other tax supported educational programs;
- (4) maintains a passing grade in each course; and
- (5) maintains the minimum attendance requirements specified by the educational institution.

**(c) Money to pay for fifty percent (50%) of the costs of the program described in this section is appropriated from funds received by the state to implement the aid to dependent children program as described in IC 12-14-2-27.**

SECTION 3. IC 12-20-21-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. (a) A township trustee and township board may levy a specific tax for the purpose of providing money for the payment of poor relief expenses in the following year. The tax may be sufficient to meet the entire requirement of the township in the following year or the part that is determined to be proper.

(b) If:

- (1) a tax levy is established under IC 12-2-1-32 (before its repeal) or subsection (a); and
- (2) the township is not subject to IC 12-20-20-1(c);

all proceeds derived from the tax levy shall be retained by the county treasurer and shall be credited by the county auditor to the township entitled to the credit. The proceeds of the tax levy are the property of the township levying the tax. The county and all officers of the county shall keep proceeds free and available for the payment of poor relief obligations of the township levying the tax. The funds are continuing funds and do not revert to any other fund at the end of the year.

(c) If:

- (1) a tax levy is established under IC 12-2-1-32 (before its repeal) or subsection (a); and
- (2) the township is subject to IC 12-20-20-1(c);

all proceeds derived from the tax levy shall be distributed to the township at the same time and in the same manner as proceeds from other property tax levies are distributed to the township. The proceeds of the tax levy shall be held by the township in its township poor relief account free and available for the payment of poor relief obligations of the township. The funds are continuing funds and do not revert to any other fund at the end of the year.

**(d) If a township receives money under IC 12-20-11-3(c), the township's tax levy for the year that follows the receipt of the money must be reduced by a percentage that will cause the total proceeds of the tax levy to be reduced by the amount received**



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